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1. At 9 p.m. on 23 February 1954, a column of 12 armored personnel carriers towing 12 100-mm AT guns  22 x 57-mm AT guns, 12 x 85-mm AT guns, 15 x 76.2-mm guns, about 15 field kitchens and about 120 trucks

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, passed through Bergen, proceeding to Ribnitz and, presumably, Rostock. At 3 a.m. on 24 February, the column was still passing through Ribnitz.<sup>1</sup>

2. At about 8:30 a.m. on 24 February, a column of about 40 vehicles, including 1 truck towing a field kitchen and 17 trucks towing 37-mm AA guns proceeded toward Markendorf, coming from the direction of Nuhna.

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3. At 2:30 p.m. on 24 February, 15 T-34/85 tanks, 2 BA-64 armored scout cars and truck were entrained for Schlieben/Herzberg at the Falkenberg railroad station.<sup>3</sup>

A shipment of 30 trucks,  2 x 57-mm AT guns and 2 M-3 armored personnel carriers passed through Rossau, proceeding toward Koethen, on 24 February.<sup>4</sup> At 9 a.m. on 25 February, about 30 x 122-mm model M-38 guns, about 40 trucks,  and 10 boxcars were loaded at the Jue-  
terbog railroad station.<sup>5</sup> At noon, a shipment of 35 trucks,  25 x 37-mm AA guns on train  passed through Ferch-Lienewitz, proceeding toward Juesterbog. On 2 March, train 1  carrying 5 T-34/85 tanks,  including 1 boxcar passed through Falkenberg, coming from the direction of Forst Zinna.

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1. Comment. The information confirms  according to which the bulk of the 4th AT Arty Brig  left Prora on 23 February.  The brigade presumably conducted firing practices in Rostock Heath.

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2.  Comment.  presumably units of the 288th Gds AAA Regt of the 7th Gds Mecz Div from Frankfurt/Oder, who probably marched out for exercises. 25X1  
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3.  Comment. The shipment may have been connected with an exercise  observed in Uebigau area on 17 February. 25X1  
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4.  Comment.  a shipment of the 7th Gds Tank Div. 25X1
5.  Comment. On 25 February, 6 shipments, presumably of the 14th Gds Mecz Div, left Jueterbog for exercises near Brand-Halbe. 25X1

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